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Center for Policy**

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Ms. Jean Schmidt  
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Re: Registration No. 5648 (Moroccan-American Center for Policy)

Dear Ms. Schmidt:

I am writing to confirm that the documentation listed below and pertaining to the Registrant is what is required by the Department of Justice for the filing and labeling of informational materials.

- 2011 APR -7 PM
1. Press Release distributed to Wire Services: "Sec. Clinton Calls Morocco "Well-Positioned to Lead" on Democratic Reforms; Affirms US Support for Moroccan Autonomy Plan as "Serious, Realistic, and Credible" Approach to Resolve Western Sahara crisis" (3/24/2011)
  2. Information Sheet distributed to US Govt, Media, General Public, Website: "Biographies of Press Conference Participants" (3/23/2011)
  3. Information Sheet distributed to US Govt, Media, General Public, Website: "King Mohammed VI's March 9, 2011 Speech to the Nation" (3/23/2011)
  4. Media Advisory distributed to Wire Services, Journalist Contacts: "Amid Turmoil in Middle East: Morocco Continues To Embrace Democratic Reforms—There's "No Turning Back"" (3/22/2011)
  5. Information Packet distributed to US Govt, Media, General Public, Website: "International Community Hails Morocco, King for Leadership in Strengthening Reforms" (3/18/2011)
  6. Media Advisory distributed to Wire Services, Journalist Contacts: "Reform in the Arab World: Democracy on the Move in Morocco & Why There's "No Turning Back"" (3/17/2011)

7. Press Release distributed to Wire Services: "US Senate, House leaders  
praise Morocco King's "Pro-Democracy Approach," Call on US to be  
"Vigilant & Tireless" in Supporting Moroccan Reforms" (3/14/2011)

Thank you.

Sincerely,



**Fatima-Zohra Kurtz**  
**Director of Operations**  
**Moroccan American Management Service**

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

Thursday, March 24, 2011

## **Sec. Clinton Calls Morocco "Well-Positioned to Lead" on Democratic Reforms; Affirms US Support for Moroccan Autonomy Plan as "Serious, Realistic, and Credible" Approach to Resolve Western Sahara crisis**

**Washington, DC (March 24)**—At a joint press briefing after meeting with Foreign Minister Taleb Fassi Fihri yesterday, US Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton praised Morocco for advancing democratic reforms under His Majesty King Mohammed VI, and for advocating international efforts to protect civilians in Libya. She said Morocco is "well-positioned to lead" for democratic change during this "crucial moment in time for Morocco, the Maghreb, and the Middle East," and endorsed Morocco's autonomy plan as a "serious, realistic, and credible" approach to end the Western Sahara conflict.

"The King has long demonstrated his commitment to reform," said Sec. Clinton, applauding the King's speech earlier this month promising "comprehensive reforms that would guarantee free parliamentary elections, including the election of a prime minister, create an independent judiciary, and assure human rights for all of Morocco's stakeholders, including the Amazigh community." The March 9 speech was also praised by many in the international community.

Concerning the crisis in Libya, Sec. Clinton acknowledged "Morocco's leadership at the summit in Paris last week" and its "important role in the Arab League's decision to call for the protection of Libyan civilians."

On the Western Sahara, Clinton emphasized that US policy "has remained constant... starting with the Clinton Administration and continuing through the Bush Administration and up to the present in the Obama Administration." She said Morocco's autonomy plan provides "a potential approach to satisfy the aspirations of the people in the Western Sahara to run their own affairs in peace and dignity."

Minister Fassi Fihri underscored Morocco's commitment to democracy and its reform initiatives, and to support democratic change in the region to keep the "Arab spring" from becoming "a dark winter." He reiterated that there "is no Arab exception for the universal principle of dignity and freedom." On the three-decades old Western Sahara conflict, he said "we hope that we can resolve this issue," which he called "a necessity" for Morocco, but also for the security of the Maghreb as a region. "Al-Qaida is here and trying to create problems not only for the Maghreb but for many, many citizens and countries."

In closing, Secretary Clinton noted the continuity of reform in Morocco. "I would add that we're so encouraged...because the King has been making reforms over the last several years. We're already seeing the result of those reforms, and these additional announcements ...will add to that. So we're seeing exactly what the King has said being enacted."

"The US has a key role to play in supporting conditions that make regional reforms possible," said Edward M. Gabriel, former US Ambassador to Morocco and chairman of the Moroccan American Center. "We look forward to following the steps that the US will take to strengthen the strategic partnership with Morocco, which has much to offer because of our shared values and interests. It has the commitment and experience to make meaningful reform a reality."

**For Minister Fassi Fihri and Secretary Clinton's full remarks, visit:  
<http://www.state.gov/secretary/rm/2011/03/158895.htm>**

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